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Annual Report of the Municipal Officers of



BLAINE



For Municipal Year Ending February 24, 1945

TOWN OFFICERS—1944

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR

Vaughn R. Bubar, First Selectman
William A. Walsh, Second Selectman
Kenneth Kingsbury, Third Selectman
Ralph Pryor, Fourth Selectman
Charles Beem, Fifth Selectman

TOWN MANAGER, TREASURER AND TOWN CLERK

Beulah M. Gillen

AUDITOR

State Department of Audit

HEALTH OFFICER

S. W. Collins

CONSTABLE

Henry Gillen

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

E. W. Hincks

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Malcolm Barrey	Term Expires 1945
Ralph Hotham	Term Expires 1946
Lacey Corey	Term Expires 1947

TRUSTEES OF AROOSTOOK CENTRAL INSTITUTE

Beatrice Barrett	Term Expires 1945
Henry Gillen	Term Expires 1945
Harold Alexander	Term Expires 1946
Guy L. Hewitt	Term Expires 1946
Malcolm Barrey	Term Expires 1947
Vaughn R. Bubar	Term Expires 1947

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Valuation of Town of Blaine, April 1, 1944. A true copy
of our report as made to the State Assessors.

Number of Polls taxed, 199

Number of Polls not taxed, 20

Rate of Taxation, \$68.60

Description of Property

Real Estate, Resident	\$280,545.00
Real Estate, Non-Resident	171,925.00
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Total Real Estate	\$452,470.00
Personal Estate, Resident	\$34,403.00
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	2,885.00
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Total Personal Property	\$37,288.00
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Grand Total	\$489,758.00
Total Value of Land	250,735.00
Total Value of Buildings	201,735.00

SCHEDULE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Livestock	No.	Av. Val	Total Val.
Horses	152	\$100.00	\$16,250.00
Colts, 3 to 4 yrs. old	3	42.00	125.00
Colts, 2 to 3 yrs. old	3	65.00	200.00
Cows	206	42.00	8,615.00
Three year olds	13	40.00	540.00
Two year olds	47	27.00	1,350.00
Sheep (over 35 in No.)	96	7.00	745.00
Goats	1	20.00	20.00
Poultry (over 50 in No.)	61	1.00	61.00
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Total amount of Livestock			\$27,906.00

Exempt Livestock:

Yearlings	107	\$ 14.00	\$ 1,490.00
Sheep (to 35 in No.)	200	8.00	1,315.00
Swine (to 10 in No.)	200	8.00	1,970.00
Poultry (to 50 in No.)	2,045	1.00	2,045.00

Total amount of Exempt Livestock	\$6,820.00
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All Other Kinds of Personal Property

Stock in Trade	\$1,375.00
Gasoline Pumps	150.00
Musical Instruments	1,150.00
Radios	1,540.00
Tractors	4,967.00
Foxes	200.00
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	\$9,382.00

Description of Other Real Estate with Assessed Value

Railroad Property	\$1,750.00
Water Company's Property	500.00
Light & Power Company's Property	4,700.00
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	\$6,950.00

**Value of Property Not Assessed and Not Included
In Valuation**

Property exempted by Assessors "by reason of age, infirmity or poverty"	\$1,100.00
Town Property not used for Municipal Purposes	6,900.00
Amount of Taxes Assessed Upon Real and Personal Estate for Current Year	33,597.40
Amount of Taxes Assessed on Polls	597.00

ASSESSMENT OF 1944

On the Polls and Estate, as per warrant from the State and County Treasurers, and as per vote of the Town at the Annual Meeting on March 20, 1944, the following assessments were made:

General Government	\$2,000.00
Abatements & Discounts	400.00
Street Lights	350.00
Fire Protection	750.00
Hydrant Rental	65.00
Highways & Bridges	500.00
Third Class Road Maintenance	209.00
State Aid Road Maintenance	450.00
Winter Roads	650.00
Repair of Snow Removal and Highway Equipment	450.00
Labor on Snow Fence	300.00
Poor Relief	500.00
World War Relief	300.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,000.00
Board and Care of Committed Children	600.00
Prevention of Tuberculosis	50.00
Common Schools	9,000.00
High School Tuition	5,000.00
School Textbooks	200.00
School Supplies	350.00
School Repairs	200.00
Supt. of Schools	350.00
School Health Program	50.00
Dental Health Program	25.00
✓ Town Bonds	4,000.00
✓ Interest on Town Bonds	1,100.00

State Tax	3,970.94
County Tax	821.20
Maintenance of Cemeteries	400.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Overlay	103.26
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Total Assessments for 1944	\$34,194.40

TOWN OF BLAINE

Balance Sheet — Feb. 24, 1945 (Compared with February 5, 1944)

ASSETS

	February 24, 1945 .	February 5, 1944
Cash:		
General	\$11,559.68	\$2,648.57
Petty	10.00 ^	10.00
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	\$11,569.68	\$2,658.57
Tax Accounts Uncollected:		
Taxes	\$8,244.79	\$14,744.90
Tax Liens	1,765.42	6,022.45
Sheriff's Deeds	888.25 ^	888.25
Old Tax Deeds	1.00 ^	1.00
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	\$10,899.46	\$21,656.60
Less Reserve for Coll.	4,102.64	4,102.64
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Accounts Receivable	\$6,796.82	\$17,553.96
	878.33 ^	710.70
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$19,244.83	\$20,923.23
Trust Fund Investments	650.29	473.03
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TOTAL ASSETS & TRUST INVESTMENTS	\$19,895.12	\$21,396.26
 LIABILITIES		
Bonds Payable	\$17,000.00	\$22,000.00
School Fund	300.00	300.00
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$17,300.00	\$22,300.00
Trust Fund Reserve	650.29	473.03

SURPLUS ACCOUNTS

Departmental			
Balances Forw'd	\$1,108.73	\$1,772.17	
Net Deficit		<u>3,148.94</u>	
			\$1,376.77
Assets Over Liabilities		<u>836.10</u>	
TOTAL LIABILITIES, TRUST			
RES. & SURPLUS ACCTS.	\$19,895.12		\$21,396.26

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Feb. 5, 1944

Cash Northern National Bank

Mars Hill Branch

\$2,648.57

Received from:

1944 Taxes	\$29,434.10
1943 Taxes	5,005.13
1942 Taxes	29.38
1941 Taxes	20.40
1939 Taxes	7.30
1938 Taxes	24.60
1936 Taxes	240.50
1935 Taxes	390.00
1934 Taxes	321.60
1933 Taxes	86.00
1943 Tax Liens	4,078.33
1942 Tax Liens	2,294.30
1941 Tax Liens	817.94
1940 Tax Liens	493.01
1939 Tax Liens	565.13
1938 Tax Liens	427.84

1937 Tax Liens	383.78
State of Maine, State Poor	315.91
Town of Union, Town Poor	147.61
Interest	587.82
Cost	225.77
Supplemental Taxes	90.00
Rent of Hall	33.00
State of Maine, Bank Stock Tax	15.75
Groce Boyd, Sale of Schoolhouse	315.00
State of Maine, Refund dog tax	28.65
Toll Calls & Misc. Receipts	139.73
Town of Westfield, Tractor Labor	284.60
State of Maine, Refund town roads	10.50
Town of Westfield, Snow Plowing	219.00
Town of Bridgewater, Snow Plowing	139.00
E Plantation, Snow Plowing	578.50
State of Maine, Winter Roads	722.94
Snow Plowing Driveways	22.50
Town of Blaine, Tractor Labor	202.05
Tractor Labor, Misc.	17.00
Jack Walsh, Refund	49.00
Charles Fogg, Refund	40.00
Herbert Tompkins, Estate	118.87
State of Maine, Equalization	773.00
State of Maine, State School Fund	2,278.12
State of Maine, High School Tuition	700.00
Bangor & Aroos. R. R. Co., Refund	1.37
Mary J. Smith, Trust Fund	13.50
State of Maine, State Poor	515.34
Town Clerk	105.05

Excise Taxes	893.03
Dog Taxes	104.00
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Total Receipts	\$54,305.95
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	\$56,954.52
Total Disbursements	45,384.84
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Balance on Hand on Deposit	\$11,569.68
Collected and Deposited after Books Closed	624.47
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	\$12,194.15

Respectfully submitted,

BEULAH M. GILLEN, Treas.

STATE DEPARTMENTAL OPERATING ACCOUNT

Year Ended February 24, 1945

	CREDITS			CHARGES		BALANCES	
	Balances 1943/44 Yr.	Approp. riations	Depart- mental Receipts	Total	Cash Dis- bursements	Balances 1945/46	Over- drafts
General Government							
Miscellaneous Account	\$38.69		\$1,920.07	\$1,958.76	\$1,958.76		
Officers' Salaries	77.18	\$2,000.00		2,077.18	1,997.30	\$79.88	
Abatements & Discounts		400.00		400.00	337.95	62.05	
Protection							
Fire Protection		750.00		750.00	750.00		
Hydrant Rental		65.00		65.00	65.00		
Street Lights	67.79	350.00		417.79	313.20	104.59	
Health							
Prevention Tuberculosis	50.00	50.00		100.00	100.00		
Highways							
Town Highways & Bridges		500.00	295.10	795.10	795.10		
Third Class Road Main.	252.79	209.00		461.79	351.66	110.13	
State Aid Road Main.		450.00	6.00	456.00	456.00		
Winter Roads		650.00	1,715.13	2,365.13	2,479.84		114.71
Equipment Repair		450.00	440.74	890.74	890.74		
Labor on Snow Fence		300.00	167.91	467.91	467.91		
Purchase of Snow Fence	100.00			100.00		100.00	
Charities							
Town Poor		500.00		500.00			
Soldiers' Aid	116.26	300.00	207.87	824.13	625.65	198.48	
Poor of Other Towns				300.00	135.60	164.40	
State Poor			515.34	515.34	601.15		*601.15
Aid to Dependent Children		1,000.00		1,000.00	545.34		*30.00
Board & Care of Commit- ted Children	232.44	600.00		832.44	966.00	34.00	
					688.42	144.02	

INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT

Available:

Unexpended balance, 1944	\$38.69	
State of Maine, Bank Stock Tax	15.75	
Rent of Community Hall	33.00	
U. S. Government, Refund Food Stamps	4.00	
Sears Roebuck & Co. Refund	11.35	
Groce Boyd, Sale of Schoolhouse	315.00	
State of Maine, Refund Dog Tax	28.65	
Miscellaneous Receipts	124.09	
Transfer from Overlay	103.26	
Transfer from Interest	521.78	
Transfer from Excise Tax	670.19	
Transfer from Supplemental Tax	93.00	
Total Available		\$1,958.76

Expended:

Office Supplies & Expense	\$249.19	
Town Garage Expense	151.68	
Insurance & Bonds	289.53	
School Census & Inspection	65.00	
Community Hall Repairs	298.53	
Election Expenses	44.00	
Town Report, 1944	79.50	
Audit, 1944	271.62	
Bank Charge	13.61	
Postage	64.59	
Constable's Salary, 1944	10.00	
Telephone & Lights	129.86	
Miscellaneous Expenses	291.65	
Total Expended		\$1,958.76

OFFICER'S SALARIES

Available:		
Unexpended Balance, 1944	\$77.18	
By appropriation	2,000.00	
Total Available		\$2,077.18
Expended:		
Arnold Day, Town Manager, 1944	114.30	
Beulah M. Gillen, Town Manager, 1945	1,298.66	
Vaughn Bubar,		
First Selectman and Road		
Commissioner	200.00	
William Walsh, Second Selectman	50.00	
Kenneth Kingsbury, Third Selectman	50.00	
Ralph Pryor, Fourth Selectman	50.00	
Charles Beem, Fifth Selectman	50.00	
Archie V. Nichols, Town Clerk, 1944	35.00	
S. W. Collins, Health Officer	48.00	
Coll. of Internal Revenue	101.34	
Total Expended		\$1,997.30
Unexpended Balance		\$79.88

DISCOUNTS

Available:		
By Appropriation	\$400.00	
Expended:		
Beulah M. Gillen, Coll. (1944 taxes— discount)	337.95	
Unexpended Balance		\$62.05

STREET LIGHTS

Available:		
Unexpended Balance, 1944	\$67.79	
By Appropriation	350.00	
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Total Available		\$417.79
Expended:		
Maine Public Service Co.	\$198.00	
Mars Hill Electric Co.	115.20	
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Total Expended		\$313.20
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Unexpended Balance		\$104.59

FIRE PROTECTION

Available:		
By Appropriation		\$750.00
Expended:		
Mars Hill Fire Department		\$750.00

HYDRANT RENTAL

Available:		
By Appropriation		\$65.00
Expended:		
Mars Hill & Blaine Water Co.		\$65.00

REPORT OF HIGHWAYS TOWN ROADS

Available:		
By Appropriation	\$500.00	

Town of Westfield, Tractor labor	284.60	
State of Maine, Cutting Bushes	10.50	
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Total Available		\$795.10

Expended:		
Labor	\$183.49	
Repair of Town Bridges	468.74	
Transfer to State Aid Main.	+ 6.00	
Transfer to Repair of Equipment	+ 59.25	
Coll. of Internal Revenue	22.23	
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Total Available		\$795.10

THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE

Available:		
Unexpended balance, 1944	\$252.79	
By Appropriation	209.00	
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Total Available		\$461.79
Expended:		
Labor, truck	\$183.75	
Transfer to Snow Fence	167.91	
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Total Expended		\$351.66
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Unexpended Balance		\$110.13

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Available:		
By Appropriation	\$450.00	
Transfer from Town Roads	6.00	
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Total Available		\$456.00

Expended:	
State of Maine	\$456.00

WINTER ROADS

Available:	
By Appropriation	\$650.00
Town of Westfield, Snow Plowing	219.00
Town of Bridgewater, Snow Plowing	139.00
E Plantation, Snow Plowing	578.50
State of Maine	722.94
Snow Plowing Driveways	22.50
Transfer from Excise Taxes	33.19
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Total Available	\$2,365.13

Expended:	
Labor	\$1,720.18
Truck and Tractor	267.19
Gas and Oil	413.89
Fuel Oil	78.58
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Total Expended	\$2,479.84
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Overdraft	\$114.71

REPAIR OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

Available:	
By Appropriation	\$450.00
Tractor Labor	219.05
Transferred from Interest Acct.	30.49

Transferred from Excise Taxes	131.95	
Transferred from Town Roads	59.25	
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Total Available		\$890.74
Expend:		
Repairs		\$890.74

SNOW FENCE LABOR

Available:		
By Appropriation	\$300.00	
Transfer From 3rd Class Roads	167.91	
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Total Available		\$467.91
Expend: Labor		\$467.91

PURCHASE OF SNOW FENCE

Available:		
Unexpended Balance, 1944		\$100.00
Unexpended Balance, 1945		\$100.00

CHARITIES

TOWN PAUPERS

Available:		
Unexpended Balance, 1944	\$116.26	
By Appropriation	500.00	
Jack Walsh, Refund	49.00	

Charles Fogg, Refund	40.00	
Herbert Tompkins, Estate	118.87	
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Total Available		\$824.13
Expended:		
Mrs. Earl Gilman	\$30.00	
Charles Fogg	40.00	
Alexander Jenkins, 1938	7.00	
Herbert Tompkins, 1942	127.00	
Daniel Lyons	104.00	
Garfield Fogg, 1943	2.40	
Linwood Winslow	60.50	
Relief to Old Age	254.75	
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Total Expended		\$625.65
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Unexpended Balance		\$198.48

WORLD WAR RELIEF

Available:		
By Appropriation	\$300.00	
Expended:		
World War Relief	135.60	
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Unexpended Balance		\$164.40

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS

Available:		
Due from Town of Westfield		\$601.15
Expended:		
John Bennett		\$601.15

STATE PAUPERS

Available:		
State of Maine	\$515.34	
Due from State of Maine	30.00	
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Total Available		\$545.34
Expended:		
Ella Benjamin	\$365.00	
Wellington Crouse, 1939	53.50	
Mrs. Lee Shaw, 1939	28.50	
Mary Simon, 1941	5.00	
Clair Cullins, 1940	43.00	
Shirley Levi, 1942	50.34	
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Total Expended		\$545.34

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Available:		
By appropriation	\$1,000.00	
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Total Available		\$1,000.00
Expended:		
State of Maine		966.00
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Unexpended balance		\$34.00

BOARD AND CARE OF COMMITTED CHILDREN

Available:		
Unexpended balance, 1944	\$232.44	
By appropriation	600.00	
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Total Available		\$832.44

Expended:	
State of Maine	\$667.22
Evelyn Johnson	2.00
Mrs. Charles Rogers	19.20
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Total Expended	\$688.42
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Unexpended balance	\$144.02

CEMETERIES

Available:	
Appropriation	\$400.00
Expended:	
Ivan Boobar	200.00
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Unexpended Balance	\$200.00

INTEREST

Available:	
Interest-general	\$587.82
Expended:	
State of Maine	\$35.55
Transferred to Misc. Acct.	521.78
Transferred to Equip. Repair Acct.	30.49
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Total Expended	\$587.82

INTEREST ON TOWN BONDS

Available:	
Appropriation	\$1,100.00

Expended:	
Northern National Bank of Presque Isle	
Mars Hill Branch	1,000.00
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Unexpended Balance	\$100.00

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Available:	
Appropriation	\$4,000.00
Transfer from Net Debt	1,000.00
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Total Available	\$5,000.00
 Expended:	
Northern National Bank of Presque Isle	
Mars Hill Branch	\$5,000.00

STATE TAX

Available:	
Appropriation	\$3,970.94
Expended:	
Treas. of State	\$3,970.94

COUNTY TAX

Available:	
Appropriation	\$821.20
Expended:	
County Treasurer	\$821.20

HEALTH

Available:	
By appropriation	\$50.00
Expended:	
Anti Tuberculosis Assn.	\$50.00

OVERLAY

Available:	
By appropriation	\$103.26
Expended:	
Transferred to Misc. Acct.	\$103.26

MEMORIAL DAY

Available:	
By Appropriation	\$50.00
Expended:	
American Legion	\$50.00

HUNTING AND FISHING

Available:	
Town Clerk	\$88.00
Expended:	
Treas. of State	\$88.00

DOG TAX

Available:	
Town Clerk	\$104.00
Expended:	
Treas. of State	\$104.00

LIEN COSTS

Available:	
Cost Collections	\$225.77
Expended:	
Lien Costs, 1943-44	\$214.40
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Unexpended Balance	\$11.37

EXCISE TAXES

Available:	
Excise Tax Collectors	\$893.03
Expended:	
Transferred to Misc. Acct.	\$670.19
Transferred to Equipment Acct.	131.95
Transferred to Winter Roads	33.19
Excise Commissions	57.70
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Total Expended	\$893.03

SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES

Available:	
1944 Supplemental Taxes	\$96.00
Expended:	
Transferred to Misc. Acct.	\$93.00
Refund	3.00
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	\$96.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Total number of births, marriages and deaths for the fiscal year 1944-45:

Marriages	12
Births	15
Deaths	13
Delay Returns (Births)	9

Respectfully submitted,

BEULAH M. GILLEN
Town Clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT COMMON SCHOOLS

Receipts:

Unexpended Balance, March 1944	\$1,131.35	
Appropriation	9,000.00	
State School Fund	2,278.12	
Equalization	773.00	
Total Receipts		\$13,182.47

Expenditures:

Teachers	\$7,719.94	
Janitors	1,444.00	
Conveyance	3,026.87	
Fuel	1,450.00	
		\$13,640.81
Overdraft		\$ 458.34

SUPPLIES

Appropriation	\$350.00	
Received from B. & A. R. R.	1.37	
	<hr/>	\$351.37
Expended		\$354.49
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Overdraft		\$ 3.12

TEXTBOOKS

Unexpended Balance, March, 1944	\$ 45.33	
Appropriation	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$245.33
Expended		\$261.60
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Overdraft		\$ 16.27

REPAIRS

Overdraft March, 1944	\$ 6.41	
Credit transfer from textbook acc't. March, 1944	4.01	
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	\$ 2.40	
Appropriation	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$197.60
Expended		\$148.33
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Unexpended		\$ 49.27

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Balance March, 1944	\$ 17.63	
Appropriation	350.00	
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		\$367.63
Expended		369.87
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Overdraft		\$ 2.24

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

Overdraft March, 1944	\$ 416.38	
Appropriation	5,000.00	
State School Fund	700.00	
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		\$5,283.62
Expended:		
Aroostook Central Institute		\$5,000.00
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Unexpended Balance		\$ 283.62

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Superintending School Committee and the Citizens
of Blaine:

I am pleased to submit, in accordance with custom, my
annual report on the schools of Blaine.

School opening was delayed but one week this year on
account of the labor shortage in connection with the potato

harvest. The week lost was made up by extra sessions on Saturdays. Recently, schools were closed on account of blocked roads, and this lost time will be made up through extra Saturday sessions. Since any disturbance to the school schedule causes definite loss to the pupils, it is hoped that it will not be necessary to delay the opening of schools another season.

There were a number of changes in the Blaine teaching staff of 1944-45. Kate Belyea and Vivian Clark returned to their regular positions. Hazel Gray was appointed to the fifth and sixth grade position in Blaine Grammar School and Doris Brewer was elected to fill the vacancy in the third and fourth grades at Blaine Primary School. The Robinson school was completely restaffed; Fern Thomas is principal and teacher of the upper grades and Emma Campbell teacher of the lower grades. Arrangements were made with Miss Priscilla Jones, Supervisor of Music at Mars Hill, to spend one day each week in the schools of Blaine.

The people of Blaine are most fortunate, during this period of vast upheaval, in having their schools completely staffed. The teacher shortage is becoming more and more acute and many towns in Aroostook are feeling the effects of this lack of teachers.

Although the schools of Blaine have been well supplied with textbooks and other school materials many items have been impossible to obtain. In some instances orders placed last summer are just being delivered. The Superintendent is obliged to anticipate needs and place orders months in advance of their use. An additional appropriation of \$100.00 is recommended for the textbook account next year to provide music books in the grades.

Among the repairs in the schools during the present fiscal year were changes in the heating plant at the Prim-

ary School, the painting and repairing of the flagpole at the Robinson school, the topping of the Primary School chimney, plumbing repairs, and other minor items. The Blaine Grammar School and the Blaine Primary schools need to be painted. It is recommended that the Blaine Grammar School, representing the greater need, be painted this coming summer. Therefore, the appropriation for repairs should be enlarged to meet this special need.

To go with the achievement tests Individual Progress Charts have been worked out. Each pupil, from grade four through eight, is given one of these charts on which two achievement tests each year are recorded in graphic form. Thus the achievement of each pupil is shown as a picture, and it is anticipated that the pupils, through the desire to improve their own "pictures", will be stimulated to higher achievement. In addition the report cards which go home to the parents are continued as usual.

I call attention to the report of the Public Health Nurse concerning the immunizations against diphtheria and the hearing tests conducted with the audiometer. In addition, the teachers tested each pupil for defective vision.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Superintending School Committee, town officials, and the teachers of Blaine for their splendid cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD W. HINCKS
Supt. of Schools

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE'S REPORT

Public Health Nursing may be defined as the science and the art of assisting in the prevention of disease, prolonging of life and the promoting of physical health and ef-

iciency. It is the function of the public health nurse to assist in lessening maternal mortality and stillbirths, to increase the vitality of children born alive, to assist in safeguarding them through the most dangerous period of their lives, to assist in preventing and correcting their disabling defects, to pass a larger portion of them into school in good condition and to assist in graduating them from school better able physically to carry on the business of living.

The protection of the health of mothers and young children is perhaps the most important function of the Public Health program, therefore the major part of the public health nurse's time has been allotted to them.

Several visits have been made to prenatal and post-partum mothers to assist in securing medical and dental examinations and supervision early in pregnancy and to help the family carry out specific medical advice as to maternal and infant care.

19 visits were made to young infants to assist in securing complete birth registration, medical supervision and professional attention to defects discovered for every child, to assist the family carry out general and specific medical instruction concerning hygiene and daily regime of the child. Special emphasis was placed on immunization against communicable diseases.

23 visits were made to preschool children to carry on work begun in infancy, to assist in the control of communicable disease through teaching the recognition of early symptoms, importance of isolation and value of protective measures.

Health education in the schools may be promoted through the cooperation of all interested persons and agencies and by emphasizing all aspects of health, physical, mental, social, and moral.

It is generally recognized by health educators that an adequate health program should include the above. The public health nurse assists the teachers to integrate health education with other school subjects and activities, by suggesting sources of authentic material. The nurse is always greatly interested in the prevention of communicable diseases and assists in arranging for immunization programs, demonstrates the formal inspection, etc.

Individual conferences are held with the teachers whenever necessary and help given with special problems. An immunization program was carried out at which 111 children were immunized against diphtheria. 92 children had their hearing tested with the Audiometer. Visits were made to the homes of school children to interest the parents in securing needed treatment and to instruct mothers and children in matters of child health.

During the year services have been rendered on an individual, family, and community basis in the effort to teach the principals of healthful living.

Respectfully submitted by,

KATHERINE DONLEY,
Public Health Nurse

DELINQUENT TAXES 1944

Beals, Cecil	\$47.33
Beals, Cleveland	29.84
Beals, Lee	13.03
Beals, Lee & Nellie	44.59
*Beals, Otis	12.14
Beals, Raymond	3.00
Beem, Ella	22.30

Beem, Henry	3.00
Bennett, John	21.52
Brown, Alton	66.54
Bubar, Coburn	48.02
Cronkhite, Afton	3.69
Cronkhite, Beulah	24.01
Crouse, Delbert	3.69
Currie, Wendell	40.39
Dyer, Eva	13.72
Fogg, Winnfield	3.00
Foster, Elmer	3.00
Garrison, Amos	51.71
Gillen, Elizabeth	100.16
Gillen, Joseph	30.18
Gilman, C. M. Estate	6.86
Gilman, Edward	3.00
Green, Donald	57.62
Griffin, Fred Estate	410.14
Griffin, John Estate	79.58
Haines, Artell	201.25
Hawksley, Guy	3.00
Joslyn, Birdsell	3.00
Joslyn, Wilbur	10.29
Kilcollins, Cecil	3.00
Kinney, Daniel	75.46
Kinney, Basil	36.02
Kinney, Rosa	85.75
Lento, Guy	2.74
McClay, James	9.52
Meagher, Arnold	3.00
*Nichols, Archie	131.03
Patterson, Hollis	3.69
Patterson, Kenneth	3.00
Perkins, Charles	20.84
Ricker, Blake	144.32
*Rideout, Alma	10.58

Sanborn, Lawrence	348.15
Stickney, Charles	23.58
Tapley, Bert L. Estate	254.51
Tapley, Howard	30.53
Tapley, Truman	204.09
Terrell, Lawrence	236.93
Tompkins, Percy	17.15
Wortman, George	68.60

Total Resident

7
\$3,082.09

NON-RESIDENT

*Bryant, Basil	\$260.68
Bubar, B. C.	34.30
Day, Tracy	68.60
English, Fred	85.75
Fisher, Charles	75.46
*Kearney, Francis	15.58
*Magaw, Donald	144.06
McPherson, Clarence	185.22
Noble, David	27.44
Noddin, Wilda	46.43
Sanborn, Vida	6.86
Tapley, Georgia	41.16
Tapley, Sherman	205.80
Tompkins, Donald	8.89

Total Non-Resident

\$1,206.23

ABATEMENTS

Blaisdell, Albert	\$3.00
Bubar, Luther	3.00
Clayton, Orvil	3.69

4278.57
140.00
4418.57

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Report as published.

Art. 5. To choose all other necessary Town Officers.

Art. 6. To choose Trustees for Aroostook Central Institute to serve for a term of three years.

Art. 7. To choose a member of the Superintending School Committee for a term of three years.

Art. 8. To see if the town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for educational maintenance including common schools, text-books and supplies, repairs, Superintendent of Schools, and Aroostook Central Institute tuition.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$9,000.00 Common Schools	\$10,500.00
5,000.00 High School Tuition	5,100.00
200.00 Textbooks	250.00
350.00 School Supplies	375.00
200.00 School Repairs	450.00
350.00 Supt. of Schools	400.00
50.00 School Health Program	73.00
25.00 Dental Health Program	0.00

Art. 9. To see if the town will authorize the superintending school committee to make a contract with the Trustees of Aroostook Central Institute for high school tuition.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000 for the construction of a Future Farmer building for Aroostook Central Institute.

Appropriation	Recommended
	\$1,000.00

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Government.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$2,000.00	\$2,400.00

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the consent of the Selectmen, on behalf of the town to purchase the A. J. Fulton building to be used for a Town Office and Municipal building, money to be used from Overlay.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for fire protection.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$750.00	\$750.00

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for hydrant rental.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$65.00	\$65.00

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for maintenance of highways and bridges.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$500.00	\$800.00

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to keep the roads open for winter auto traffic during the winter of 1945-46 and, if so, how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for that purpose.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$650.00	\$850.00

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of snow removal equipment.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
0.00	\$2,000.00

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for snow fence labor.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$300.00	\$300.00

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for State Aid Road construction.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
0.00	\$500.00

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the maintenance of State and State Aid Highways during the ensuing year within the limits of the Town under the provisions of Sec. 9 and 18 of Chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes of 1930.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$450.00	\$450.00

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$209.00 for the maintenance of Third Class Roads.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$209.00	\$209.00

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of lighting the village streets in Blaine and Robinsons Villages.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$350.00	\$325.00

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs on snow removal equipment.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$450.00	\$450.00

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the following purposes: Town Paupers; Aid for Dependent Children; Board and Care of Children Committed to the custody of the State; Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$ 500.00 Town Paupers	\$500.00
1,000.00 A. D. C.	800.00

600.00	Board and Care of C. C.	800.00
50.00	Anti-Tuberculosis Assn.	50.00
300.00	World War Relief	150.00

Art. 25. To see whether or not the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Section 82, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
0.00	\$25.00

Art. 26. To see if the town will fix a time when taxes shall be due and payable, and will vote to make any discount on taxes paid at such time or times as it may determine, and if so, what per cent; also fix a time and rate of interest to be added on taxes unpaid.

Recommend 4% June 1, 1945; 3% July 1, 1945; 2% August 1, 1945; 1% September 1, 1945, interest 6% starting Nov. 1, 1945.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for discounts and abatements.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$400.00	\$350.00

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and maintenance of cemeteries.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$400.00	\$200.00

Art. 29. To see whether or not the town will vote to accept the East Blaine and Sanborn cemeteries, and if so, if the town will vote to form an association to care for the maintenance of same.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day observance.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$50.00	\$50.00

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, at the consent of the Selectmen, to use surplus cash to pay town bonds.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay interest on town bonds.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$1,100.00	\$750.00

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay town bonds.

Appropriation	Recommended
1944	1945
\$4,000.00	\$2,000.00

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to bring writs of entry for the recovery of possession of such parcels of land as have been acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes thereon.

Art. 35. To see if the town will authorize the Town Treasurer at the direction of the Selectmen, on behalf of said town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for the non-payment of taxes thereon such terms as the Selectmen deem advisable and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 36. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to negotiate temporary loans to pay current expenses of the town during the current year, said loan or loans to be payable from taxes assessed for the current year, said loan or loans to be negotiated on such terms as said Selectmen and Treasurer deem advisable.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at the Town Hall at 9 o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said meeting for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands this first day of March A. D., 1945.

VAUGHN R. BUBAR
WILLIAM A. WALSH
KENNETH KINGSBURY
RALPH PRYOR
CHARLES BEEM

Selectmen of the Town of Blaine

A True Copy, Attest:

HENRY GILLEN
Constable of the Town of Blaine